

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1 and 3, as follows:

*AB*  
*AB 137*

1.(amended) A symbiotic fungus comprising a filamentous fungus of a biologically pure culture, said filamentous fungus belonging to genus *Neotyphodium* and a final metabolic product thereof being a chanoclavine.

*AB*  
*AB 137*

3.(amended) A symbiotic fungus as defined in Claim 1, wherein the symbiotic fungus is at least one fungus selected from the group consisting of FERMP-17672, FERMP-17673 and FERMP-17674 deposited at the Japanese National Institute of Bioscience and Human Technology.

Please cancel claim 2, and add new claim 15, as follows:

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15. A symbiotic fungus as defined in Claim 1, wherein the symbiotic fungus is artificially introduced into a grass of *Agrostis*, *Festuca*, *Poa* and *Lolium*.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please change the abstract, as attached herewith.

IN THE TITLE

Please change the title to --SYMBIOTIC FUNGUS--.

REMARKS

The specification has been reviewed, and clerical errors of the specification have been amended.

On page 2 of the Action, claims 1-6 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101. However, it was suggested to use a language in connection with the strain. In view of the suggestion, claim 1 has been amended.

On pages 2 and 3 of the Action, claim 3 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, and it was suggested to provide assurance of compliance with the requirement of 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph.

In this respect, the deposited materials have been accepted for deposit under the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the purpose of Patent Procedure, and all restrictions on the availability to the public of the material so